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urge you to take care of this small glitch that happened in LB 585 and the Transportation Committee passed it on and it is on General File. And if you want to see the original bill, it's LB 1089. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Suttle. For debate on the Suttle amendment to the Chambers amendment to LB 1004, Senator Engel.

SENATOR ENGEL: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the body, Senator Suttle came to me with this amendment earlier in the session here and I...and we passed it by Senator Chambers and Senator Pederson who have been helping me with the...with this bill and we're certainly in favor of it because it...I think it kind of cleaned up the situation that should have...shouldn't have been in existence at the time, and I think it gives more juris...gives the judges more direction on how they should handle these DWI cases. I also want to, at this point in time, thank Senator Chambers and Senator Pederson and others who have helped with the all the legalese in this particular bill because I do depend on these people because I, again as you know, I am not a...do not have a legal background. So what they have done in cleaning up this bill is going to make it a bill that will pass the muster of the courts. And, actually, any law we pass, if it will not pass that muster, there's really no sense in passing it at all. So I do appreciate their efforts and I would yield any time I have left to Senator Chambers, if he would like to continue discussing his amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, only to say that I do support Senator Suttle's amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Bromm, on the Suttle amendment.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President, and I'm...I'm not going to take a lot of time; just to rise and say that I certainly support Senator Suttle's amendment. We heard the bill in our committee that was exactly like this amendment. There was no opposition to the bill. We did report the bill out of